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152K

The beginning of the school bus strike created headaches for students and their parents as they clogged mass transit to get to class. Problems with Department of Education-issued MetroCards only added to the chaos. {page 02}



Snafus plague school bus strike

► Dana Watkins walks with her children, who attend PS11, to the subway on the first day of the public school bus strike.

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news

Assault weapons in Obama's crosshairs

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"Attacking firearms and ignoring children is not a solution to the crisis we face as a nation. Only honest, law-abiding gun owners will be affected and our children will remain vulnerable to the inevitability of more tragedy."

STATEMENT FROM THE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA IN RESPONSE TO PRESIDENT OBAMA'S GUN-CONTROL PROPOSALS

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Brand new and blowing up

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NYC school bus strike rolls into its first day

► MetroCard problems for students on first day ► 7,700 bus routes affected ► Strike creates headaches for 152,000 students

MILES DIXON/METROX

The school bus strike created chaos for many parents yesterday morning, according to reports from Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Department of Education Chancellor Dennis Walcott.

The Department of Education has contracts for 7,700 bus routes that serve 152,000 students. The contracts in question are for routes for disabled students from kindergarten through 12th grade.

The union wants to be certain current drivers will retain their jobs; the city said they are legally unable to do that based on a court ruling regarding their earlier request for bids on pre-kindergarten bus routes.



► Three high school students prepare to catch the train uptown from Columbus Circle on the first day of the school bus driver strike.



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The contract

According to Cordiello, such Employee Protection Provisions have been in the contracts since 1979, and Bloomberg's portrayal of the Court of Appeals decision is "inaccurate."

A representative from the Court of Appeals said neither he nor the judges would speculate about the hypothetical application of a past decision to a new case.

Quoted: Elementary school parents

"People need to make other arrangements. We make sacrifices when we need to, like Hurricane Sandy, and we need to make sacrifices here as well."

TIFFANY CLAYTON, PARENT, SACRED HEART SCHOOL

"It is a serious hardship that the students and the parents have to bear."

STEVE KEGAN, PARENT OF A STUDENT AT PS 111 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2%

Attendance systemwide was down a little more than 2 percent from this month's average.

34%

But attendance for District 75, which includes all disabled and special-needs students, was down 25 percent.

152K The number of students riding city school bus routes

MetroCard snafu complicates strike for parents

The city is providing free MetroCards and reimbursement for gas or taxis, but many MetroCards were not activated in time.

MTA spokesman Kevin Ortiz explained that the DOE requested inactive cards and was notified that activating cards takes 24 to 72 hours.

City Councilman David Greenfield criticized the DOE's reimbursement plan as impractical for lower-income parents who may not be able to stake the money in advance.

DOE spokeswoman Marge Feinberg said parents "who may have difficulty with the reimbursement can reach out to the child's school for arrangements."

Quoted

"I'm frustrated on behalf of my constituents. Obviously it didn't help that we got 36 hours' notice from the union, but we knew it could've been happening since November of 2011." GREENFIELD

In the news Bloomberg backs Obama

Mayor Michael Bloomberg lauded President Barack Obama for announcing gun legislation yesterday, saying he was "encouraged" by the White House plans. "Today, it's clear that the president and vice president heard us, and they heard the American people," Bloomberg said. The mayor has long been in support of background checks for all gun sales and restricting high-capacity magazines. **METRO/AB**

In the news



Woman assaulted in subway

WILLIAMSBURG. Cops are looking for a man who sexually assaulted a woman at the Lorimer stop on the L train in Brooklyn. According to police, around 2:30 a.m. Sunday, a 22-year-old woman was exiting the station. A man followed her, cops said, and as she walked up the stairs the man assaulted her and stole her phone. The suspect is described as male, Hispanic and in his 30s. **METRO/AB**

News in brief

Mob suspects arrested in 'trashy' extortion scheme

Dozens of organized crime figures from the New York area were arrested Wednesday following an investigation of extortion of local garbage haulers, authorities said.

Many of those arrested are suspected members or associates of the Gambino, Genovese and



► Thirty suspects were arrested in extortion of local garbage haulers.

Luchese organized crime families, three of the five largest Mafia factions in the New York area, according to a federal indictment.

Thirty suspects in New York and New Jersey were

taken into custody, the FBI said. Twelve of the suspects, including Carmine "Papa Smurf" Franco, who authorities say is a reputed Genovese family associate, are charged with racketeer-

ing and conspiracy charges.

Franco is accused of extortion, loan sharking and other crimes.

Many of those charged yesterday are accused of acting as silent partners in a licensed garbage hauling business after either being banned from the industry following prior convictions or being unlikely to be approved for waste management licenses due to alleged ties to organized crime.

Other suspects are charged with stealing garbage trucks or stealing loads of cardboard and

driving them across state lines where they were sold for profit.

Many of the suspects face charges of extorting money from legitimate garbage haulers to "back," or protect, them from other reputed mobsters, according to the indictment.

"In addition to the violence that often accompanies their schemes, the economic impact amounts to a mob tax on goods and services," said George C. Venizelos, assistant director-in-charge of the FBI's New York field office. **REUTERS**



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Council blasts city's response to Sandy

► Council members say city took too long to offer resources ► But a deputy mayor contends people weren't aware of resources ► 911 system was ineffective, some Council members allege



► The Rockaways are one of several New York neighborhoods that continue to struggle to recover after superstorm Sandy.

Council members blasted the city's assessment of a job well done after Hurricane Sandy, lobbying questions yesterday about why food, lights and gasoline took so long to organize after the storm.

Deputy Mayor Cas Holloway testified for more than two hours at City Hall, the first of seven weeks of Sandy hearings.

The hearing began with mutual praise for recovery efforts, but quickly turned combative.

Queens Councilman Peter Vallone dismissed

"We could not meet every need of every person immediately following the storm."

DEPUTY MAYOR CAS HOLLOWAY

"I talked to many, many people who saw neither hide nor hair of OEM, FEMA, Red Cross, anyone for days and days."

VALLONE

the city's assertion that help was available soon after the storm.

He said he tried to contact the city's Office of Emergency Management, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Red Cross in the days after the storm to transport supplies at his office. But only a local fire house finally helped, he said.

The 911 system was a reoccurring theme, as Council members said it did not answer calls and had an average time of seven minutes. Israel Miranda, head of the EMS



Criticizing the Red Cross

Council Speaker Christine Quinn interrupted the hearing to suggest that council have a separate discussion on the Red Cross, which she called a "severe disappointment."

Many people criticized the Red Cross in the days after the storm for not getting food and supplies to affected areas quickly enough.

"If there is an entity that's on my I am disappointed list, it is the Red Cross," she said. Staten Island Councilman Vincent Ignizio added that the Red Cross was "a week too late."

workers union, said an elderly couple in Far Rockaway died after two calls to 911 were dropped.

Holloway maintained that the 911 system itself didn't fail but that technology did not allow all calls to come through.

"For the woman who saw water coming down her street and up her steps, who called 911 and there was no one there, the system failed," Staten Island Councilman James Oddo replied.



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In the news

One dead, one injured in 125th station incidents

One New York man was killed and another injured in separate incidents just minutes apart at a subway station during Tuesday's rush-hour, authorities said.

A 31-year-old Bronx man, whose name was withheld, was pronounced dead after the incident at the 125th Street station, police said. He had been riding between two subway cars moments after the train left the station when he fell on the tracks and was struck.



Less than 20 minutes earlier, a 50-year-old homeless man was seen climbing to the platform as a train arrived in the station, police said. The man suffered leg injuries but appeared not to have been hit by a train.

REUTERS

Double homicide in the Bronx

At approximately 12:18 a.m. on Wednesday, police responded to a 911 call of a

gunshot victim in front of 3328 Perry Ave. in the Bronx, to find Jason Rivera, 30, and Jennifer Rivera, 20, inside a car, each with a gunshot wound to the head. They were declared dead on arrival. An investigation is underway. No arrests have been made.

● METRO/DT

Man beaten with tire iron, bat

WEST VILLAGE. A man was beat with a tire iron in the West Village Sunday, according to the Daily News. According to the report, Kevin McCarron, 24, was beaten with a tire iron and baseball bat by a group of men on MacDougal Street. Cops reportedly ar-

rested Hatem Farsakh, 24, and charged him with attempted murder after the incident. McCarron was reportedly visiting from Massachusetts. ● METRO/AB

Man, 98, punched in face

CONEY ISLAND. A man punched a 98-year-old in the face, cops said yesterday. According to police, on Jan. 10 around 2 p.m. a man approached a 98-year-old man inside a West 21st Street building in Brooklyn, threw him to the ground and punched him in the face. Then he stole money from his pocket, cops said. Anyone with information should call 800-577-TIPS. ● METRO/AB

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Livestrong: 'We expect Lance to be completely truthful'

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The cancer foundation that Lance Armstrong founded said yesterday that it anticipates the former cyclist will be "completely truthful" in his chat with Oprah Winfrey set to air tomorrow and Friday.

"We expect Lance to be completely truthful and forthcoming in his interview and with all of us in the cancer community," the Austin, Texas-based Livestrong Foundation said in a statement.

Armstrong's reported admission to Winfrey that he used performance-enhancing drugs during his cycling career comes after he has been banned for life and stripped of his seven Tour de France victories as a result of the doping scandal.

"Regardless, we are charting a strong, independent course forward that is focused on helping people overcome financial, emotional and physical challenges related to cancer," the statement said.



About

Livestrong

The foundation, founded in 1997 and known for its yellow bracelets, advocates for cancer survivors and provides free

services to help people affected by cancer navigate challenges.

Over the years, it has raised more than \$500 million. The foundation said its 2013 budget is 10.9 percent less than its 2012 budget.

"Inspired by the people with cancer whom we serve, we feel confident and optimistic about the Foundation's future and welcome an end to specu-

lation," Livestrong said in the statement.

Armstrong, who lives in Austin, visited the foundation staff earlier this week. **REUTERS**

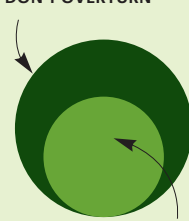
Most in US oppose overturn of Roe v. Wade decision

Most Americans remain opposed to completely overturning the U.S. Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade, which 40 years ago legalized abortion at least in the first three months of pregnancy, according to a poll.

These opinions have changed little from surveys conducted in 2003 and 1992, Pew reported. **REUTERS**

63%

DON'T OVERTURN



29%

DO OVERTURN

24

THE DAY'S NEWS AT A GLANCE

Poker player convicted in \$1.18B fraud

Greek businessman Achilles Kallakis, known as "The Don" on the international poker circuit, was convicted of defrauding lenders and using the proceeds to pay for trophy property, private planes, a yacht in Monaco, luxury cars and artwork, prosecutors said. **BLOOMBERG**

Helicopter crash kills two in London

A helicopter crashed into a crane on top of one of Europe's tallest residential blocks yesterday, killing two people as it burst into flames and spiraled down into rush-hour traffic close to the Houses of Parliament in central London. Witnesses said the helicopter hit a crane on top of the unoccupied 200-yard-high cylindrical block — The Tower, One St.



George Wharf — spun out of control, fell to the ground and burst into flames. **REUTERS**



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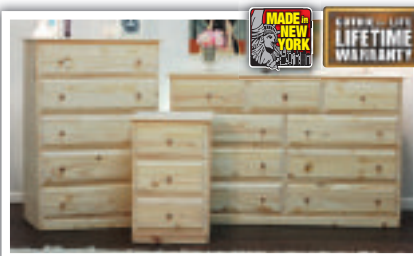
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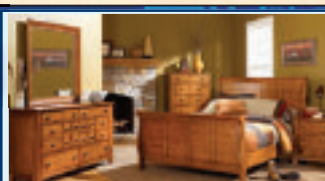


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Biggest gun-control measures in decades

President Barack Obama proposed a new assault weapons ban and mandatory background checks for all gun buyers yesterday as he tried to channel national outrage over the Newtown school massacre into the biggest U.S. gun-control push in decades.

Rolling out a wide-ranging plan for executive and legislative action to curb gun violence, Obama set up a clash with the powerful U.S. gun lobby and its supporters in Congress, who will resist what they see as an encroachment on constitutionally protected gun rights.

Obama presented his

agenda at a White House event in front of an audience that included relatives of some of the 20 first-graders who were killed along with six adults by a gunman on Dec. 14 at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn.

Until now, Obama had done little to rein in America's gun culture during his first four years in office. But just days before his second inauguration, he appears determined to champion gun control in his next term, with a concerted drive for tighter laws and other steps aimed at preventing new tragedies. **REUTERS**



► President Obama signs a series of executive orders about the administration's new gun law proposals as children who wrote to the White House about gun violence — from left: Hinna Zeejah, Taejah Goode, Julia Stokes and Grant Fritz — look on in the Eisenhower Executive Office building.

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Assault weapons ban may be tough sell

Obama's plan calls on Congress to renew a prohibition on assault weapons sales that expired in 2004, a requirement for criminal background checks on all gun purchases, including closing a loophole for gun-show sales, and a new federal gun-trafficking law — long sought by big-city mayors to keep out-of-state guns off their streets.

He also announced 23 steps he intends to take immediately without congressional approval. These include improvements in the existing system for background checks, lifting the ban on federal research into gun violence, putting more counselors and "resource officers" in schools and making mental health services more accessible. **REUTERS**

10 The plan includes a limit on ammunition clips, with a maximum of 10 bullets.

Must act

Proposals requiring approval by congress:

- ▶ Require criminal background checks on prospective buyers in all gun sales
- ▶ Renew and strengthen the federal ban on sales of military-style assault weapons that was in effect from 1994 to 2004
- ▶ Reinstate a ban on magazines holding more than 10 rounds
- ▶ Ban the possession of armor-piercing ammunition and its transfer to anyone other than the military and law enforcement
- ▶ Increase punishments for gun trafficking, particularly by unlicensed dealers or "straw buyers" who purchase arms for criminals
- ▶ Provide \$30 million in one-time grants to

states to help school districts develop and implement emergency management plans

- ▶ Approve the White House's \$4 billion proposal to help keep 15,000 police officers on the streets
- ▶ Confirm a director for the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (The ATF has not had a director for six years.)
- ▶ Reach 750,000 young people through programs to identify mental illness early

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To school districts and law enforcement agencies to hire school resource officers, school psychologists, social workers and counselors



▶ Obama

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▶ NRA President David Keene

"Only honest, law-abiding gun owners will be affected and our children will remain vulnerable to the inevitability of more tragedy."

NRA STATEMENT



▶ Bloomberg

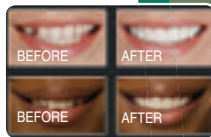
"There has never been greater public support for common-sense gun laws, and it's up to all of us to make sure that Congress hears that."

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— Dorothy Robinson will return on January 21.

Stern 'apologizes' to Lena Dunham

For as many people as he offends, **Howard Stern** pretty rarely issues an apology. But on Monday, he took some time from his radio show to say he was sorry — almost — to "Girls" creator and star **Lena Dunham**.

"I really do love the show 'Girls,' and enjoy it, and I admire the girl who writes it," he said on-air. "It makes me feel bad, and I think she is getting the impression that I somehow think she's just a talentless little fat chick."

Now why would she ever think that? Probably because last week, Stern said this: "I learned that this little fat chick writes the show and that makes sense to me because she's such a camera hog that the other characters barely are on," he said during his show. "Good for her. It's hard for little fat chicks to get anything going."

We love that Howard Stern is calling out someone for being an unattractive attention hog — and we'll leave it at that.



► Somehow, we think Lena Dunham and her two Golden Globes aren't too worried about Howard Stern.

PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

Gaga gunning it

Lady Gaga is feeling the heat after wearing a bra with guns protruding from it onstage in Vancouver over the weekend.

"Lady Gaga should have used more common sense because she has such a responsibility with her level of fame and is a role model to millions of teenagers around the world," said Ladd Everitt, a spokesman for the D.C.-based Coalition to Stop Gun Violence, in a statement. "Exactly what was the message here, and why was it

necessary in the first place in the current climate regarding guns?"

All valid questions, sure. But what we really want to know is: What can **Madonna** possibly strap to her chest to top this?



Gaga, sans assault weapon lingerie

Your daily Lohan

Lindsay Lohan is no longer welcome at the W hotel after trashing a room in New York over the



We just can't quit you, Linds.

summer.

"Her suite had so many cigarette burns, they had to change all the carpets. She did at least \$50,000 worth of damage while partying," a source tells Us Magazine. "She is not allowed back at any W hotel in NYC, ever."

Good luck with that, guys. But take it from us here at The Word — no matter how much damage she does, it's damn near impossible to evict Lindsay Lohan.

Talking points

Renner to have baby with ex

Jeremy Renner is reportedly going to be a father, as an ex-girlfriend of his is set to give birth next month, sources tell Us Weekly. Renner was overheard at a Golden Globes after-party telling **Eva Longoria**, "I'm going to fly in when her water breaks," to which Longoria responded, "I'm so blown away." The



► Renner

unidentified ex-girlfriend has reportedly been staying in Renner's L.A. home during the last months of her pregnancy. "They used to date, but it wasn't serious," says a source, adding that Renner is "being ultra-creative about it, but she has been going on about her life and not hiding it."

It's another boy for Elton John

Elton John and **David Furnish** are parents once again, welcoming their second son, **Elijah Joseph**

Daniel Furnish-John, via surrogate late last week in Los Angeles, the singer announced on his website. "Both of us have longed to have children, but the reality that we now have two sons is almost unbelievable," John and Furnish tell Hello! magazine. The boy's birth comes just one day after John's rep was flatly denying reports that the couple was expecting another child.

Did Bieber do the math?

Justin Bieber's tattoo

habit is insatiable. The 18-year-old Canadian singer has already gotten his second piece of body art of 2013, a set of Roman numerals across his collarbone, as revealed in an Instagram photo he posted of himself and producer **Jamal Rashid**, who got the matching digits on his bicep. Rashid claims the numerals, "I IX VII V," stand for 1975 and have a spiritual meaning, though Bieber hasn't offered an explanation. In any event, if it's meant to be the year 1975, it should be "MCMLXXV."



The feed...

► *Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.*

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No matter how badass you are, if a child hands you a plastic phone, you answer it.

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The most talked about topic at the Golden Globe Awards was Les Misérables. Not the movie...Tommy Lee Jones's sour puss.

@jimmykimmel teenagers? More like MEANagers, am I right? #thecruelty-ofyouth

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It's "legal" to have sex with someone born in 1995, but I'd rather be hit by 5 cars.

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(Mike Birbiglia) Twitter is like a verbal bear trap.



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Sundance style

The Sundance Film Festival kicks off today in Park City, Utah. And while it's a great place to catch the films you'll be hearing about all year, it's also prime-time for silly outerwear.

1: Why do we have the feeling that **Anna Wintour** trapped this coat herself?

2: **Cassandra Hepburn** was sporting one of the cuter animal hats last year.

3: Also popular at Sundance: The Snuggly Nonchalant Hipster, as modeled here by **Taylor Swift**.

4: Furry hat hall of fame: **Spike Lee** in 2009.

5: Not even **Sigourney Weaver** could resist Wookiee boots last year.

6: As **Coco** proves, you can still show off plenty in your snowsuit.

7: **Paris Hilton** is a notorious Sundance snow bunny. Last year, she rocked the world's largest earmuffs from the slopes to the red carpets.



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5 Sundance films to look forward to

The annual Sundance Film Festival begins this weekend, with Hollywood's deal-makers gathering in snowy Park City, Utah, to see what might be the breakout hit of 2013. The toast of last year's festival, "Beasts of the Southern Wild," went on to earn four high-profile Academy Award nominations, including Best Picture. Here's our pick of what will get the most attention at this year's fest.

'Jobs'

This one already has a distributor and an April release date, plus the honor of being the festival's closing night — but curiosity over seeing Ashton Kutcher's turn as Apple co-founder Steve Jobs is a huge factor here. Early buzz has been strong, suggesting Kutcher may making the jump from the more lightweight fare for which he's known. "Book of Mormon" star Josh Gad co-stars as Steve Wozniak.

'Kill Your Darlings'

John Krokidas' debut feature offers a dark glimpse into the early days of the Beat Generation. It's a must-see at this year's festival, with an impressive young cast — Daniel Radcliffe, Ben Foster and "Boardwalk Empire"



► Scarlett Johansson and Joseph Gordon-Levitt star in "Don Jon's Addiction," premiering at the 2013 Sundance Film Festival.

scene-stealer Jack Huston — taking on Ginsberg, Burroughs and Kerouac, respectively. The film also stars Dane DeHaan, Kyra Sedgwick and Michael C. Hall.

'The Spectacular Now'

"(500) Days of Summer" writers Michael Weber and Scott Neustadter are back with this slightly less sunny tale, based on Tim Tharp's novel about a hard-partying high school senior played by Miles Teller whose meeting with an outsider, played by Shailene Woodley, changes

'Don Jon's Addiction'

Joseph Gordon-Levitt is something of a Sundance darling on his own (and he's even hosting the festival's awards ceremony this year), so his directorial debut — about a lothario with an addiction to online porn — is instantly a must-see. Gordon-Levitt also stars, along with Scarlett Johansson and Julianne Moore.

his life. Mary Elizabeth Winstead, Kyle Chandler and Jennifer Jason Leigh also star.

'The East'

The "Sound of My Voice" team of director Zal Batmanglij and writer/star Brit Marling are back with this tense tale of an FBI agent infiltrating a group of anarchists with a vendetta against corporate fat-cats and manufacturers. Ellen Page and Alexander Skarsgard also star.

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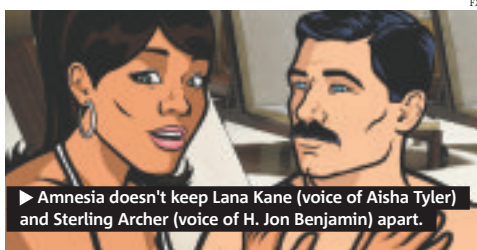
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TV watch list

'Archer'

COMEDY. Archer is more clueless than ever as Season 4 opens, but this time he has an excuse: The superspy has amnesia. It leads to an awesome homage to "Bob's Burgers," the other show for which H. Jon Benjamin provides the voice. **Season premiere, 10 p.m., FX**



► Amnesia doesn't keep Lana Kane (voice of Aisha Tyler) and Sterling Archer (voice of H. Jon Benjamin) apart.

'Suits'

DRAMA. Harvey and Mike take a criminal case that hits close to home. **Midseason**

premiere, 10 p.m., USA

'Project Runway All Stars'

REALITY. The finale finds the designers creating a collection in just four days. **Season finale, 9 p.m., Lifetime**

'The Vampire Diaries'

DRAMA. What would an epic episode involving returning Originals be without Elena (or Stefan, or Caroline — or all three, in this case) being held hostage at Mystic Falls High? **8 p.m., The CW**
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Top 10 films



▶ Arnold Schwarzenegger stars in "The Last Stand."

LION'S GATE

1 'The Last Stand': Arnold Schwarzenegger takes on the leader of a drug cartel with the help of his amateur partners.

2 'Mama': Jessica Chastain and Nikolaj Coster-Waldau star as parents who help their young nieces adjust to normal life after spending years abandoned in a forest — and try to protect them from the haunted spirit they call "Mama."

3 'Broken City': Mark Wahlberg and Russell Crowe share an interesting relationship as determined cop and corrupt city mayor in this new action-drama.

4 'Les Misérables': This thing cleaned up at the Golden Globes on Sunday, winning awards for Hugh Jackman and Anne Hathaway and a few barbs from hosts Tina Fey and Amy Poehler about Russell Crowe's singing.

5 'A Haunted House': It's about time all those documentary-style horror movies like "Paranormal Activity" and "The Last Exorcism" get a send-up — and Marlon Wayans and Cedric the Entertainer are happy to do the job.

6 'Zero Dark Thirty': Jessica Chastain stars in Kathryn Bigelow's military drama about the hunt for Osama Bin Laden.

7 'Texas Chainsaw 3D': Leatherface has had as many incarnations in Hollywood as he has had gross homemade masks. This time, a new cast of young unknowns do battle with the serial killer.

8 'The Impossible': Naomi Watts and Ewan McGregor star in this heart-breaking retelling of one family's real-life experience of surviving Thailand's 2004 tsunami.

9 'Promised Land': Matt Damon and John Krasinski co-star in this thoughtful film about one salesman's internal conflict when he attempts to push fracking onto a small town.

10 'Gangster Squad': Ryan Gosling, Emma Stone and Josh Brolin star in this 1940s shoot-'em-up about the mob's infiltration of the City of Angels and the LAPD's effort to resist the takeover. **METRO**

A dancer opens her mouth

► And then Jeanine Durning barely takes a breath as the words flow out ► 'inging' is rooted in 'naming what is happening'

Jeanine Durning's "inging" is a pile of gerunds tied together with an imperative: "Go." In a bunker-like basement on the Lower East Side, sitting at a big table before a scattering of chairs, she greets a deliberately small audience one by one and then, poised behind the table like a lecturer, starts to speak rapidly.

A pile of books and a laptop sit on the table, along with a tiny video camera recording her performance. For close to 50 minutes Durning spills language, "naming what is happening," committed only to not stopping, even for a drink of water. Nothing interrupts the flow of syllables except the limits of her brain; like a record skipping, she strings together a blizzard of slogans.

We watch the workings of a mind in a body under pressure, at first sitting more or less still and then touring the odd-shaped room, climbing a flight of stairs, insinuating herself into a far corner while keeping up her stream of conscious thought and language. She hovers on the edge of



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tears.

"I am a wound," she tells us. "I mean ... you know ... the thing is ..." All the words we use to keep going while thoughts percolate in our heads are front and center in a monologue that leads Durning to the edge of her nerves. Utterly exposed, yet still concealed, she crawls under her table, still running on. Then she returns to her chair and shuts up. The sudden silence is deafening.

Part of the two-week American Realness 2013, a festival of contemporary experimental performance, "inging" lets you look into the brain of an artist at work. Go.

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Girl talk

► HBO's hit comedy is back, with two Golden Globes to boot ► Stars Allison Williams and Jemima Kirke dish on their characters' sartorial choices, their dorky style moments and finally dressing like adults

Allison Williams

On Marnie's style

"She definitely leans toward conservative stuff and she makes me look adventurous — although I'm really not. I wish clothes would just fit her better. Any mistakes in fitting are 100 percent on purpose, though. It's supposed to look like you bought a thing off the rack and it fits the way it fits."

Her personal style

"I like color a lot. I'm interested in different cuts. I love the way [peplum] looks, but I've also worn more princess-y things. Day-to-day, I'm a jeans, boots and oversized sweater girl."

Dorkest fashion moment

"I went up to Jason Wu at the restaurant Perilla after his show and I just introduced myself to him cold. I was like, 'I understand that it's probably intrusive and you're with your family, but I wanted to say that I think you're a genius.' He was so gracious."

Getting red



"Grace Kelly is No. 1."

WILLIAMS, ON WHOSE STYLE SHE ADMIRES

carpet-ready

"It's really fun. It makes me feel like a princess. I have to rein it in. I recently went into a fitting and there was a rack of clothes of my stuff and there was another rack of fluffy, big gowns and my stylist was like, 'No, Allison. No. You're not a debutante.'"

A whole new kind of access

"I've had the pleasure of cultivating relationships with some designers so I can say, 'Listen, do you have something that I can wear to this thing tonight?' Acting is my first love, but the fact that I get to wear cool clothes and get to know myself better through what I wear in real life, that's such a pleasure."

Her dad, Brian Williams, is her unofficial stylist

"He has a really good eye. He's an aesthete and he sees people in the things that he sees in stores. He looks at them and thinks, 'That looks like Allison.'"

Jemima Kirke

Jessa's look is based on her own

"I think it's like a caricature of how I dress in real life or maybe even a way that I used to dress for a minute in my life. Or it might be the way Lena used to look at the way I dressed and how she pictured styling my outfit in her head the next day."

Her personal style

"Well, that's gone out the window since I've had children. I just put on clothes so that I'm not naked during the day. I used to change my outfit maybe once in the day, the way some girls do. Now sometimes I have on the same outfit for two days."

Dressing like an adult

"As I start to feel more like an adult, I start to shop at more brand names, which I never did. It was vintage or stuff I had forever or my mother's stuff. But now that I'm getting older I can't get away with the T-shirt with the hole in it."



"Helen Mirren is one I wouldn't mind being tied to."

KIRKE, ON WHOSE STYLE SHE ADMIRES

Where she shops

"Bird and Smith and Butler, in Brooklyn."

Jessa's bohemian wedding dress

"You know who made that dress? My mom. Don't get me wrong, she didn't sit there and sew it. She has a shop called Geminola in the West Village. Half of it, she designs, and half of it is antique and vintage clothing."

What she's loving

"Chanel made these creep-er shoes. They are like a spin on the punk creeper shoe. They're beautiful and awesome but I can't wear them. I'm just not style-conscious like that anymore. I just don't wear statement-y things. I don't wear loud things. I just wear what looks nice. I'm not wearing mom jeans, though."

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Quoted

'Girls' costume designer Jenn Rogien on where she shops for the show: "I try to keep the shopping realistic for the character's

background and financial situation, which often means a cool vintage piece from Amarcord, a piece from Zara, an amaz-

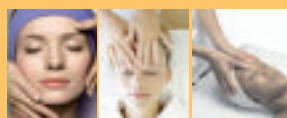
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► New website links single parents via their kids ► How to help yours navigate online dating

When Matt Connolly's mom was looking for her "knight in shining armor," he decided to help — in a big way.

In October, Connolly created myLovelyParent, a dating website for older men and women where children recommend the potential suitors to their parents. Sons and daughters can scroll through the website's members and send a note to their parent with details about the users who caught their eye. Then, it's up to the parent to make the initial

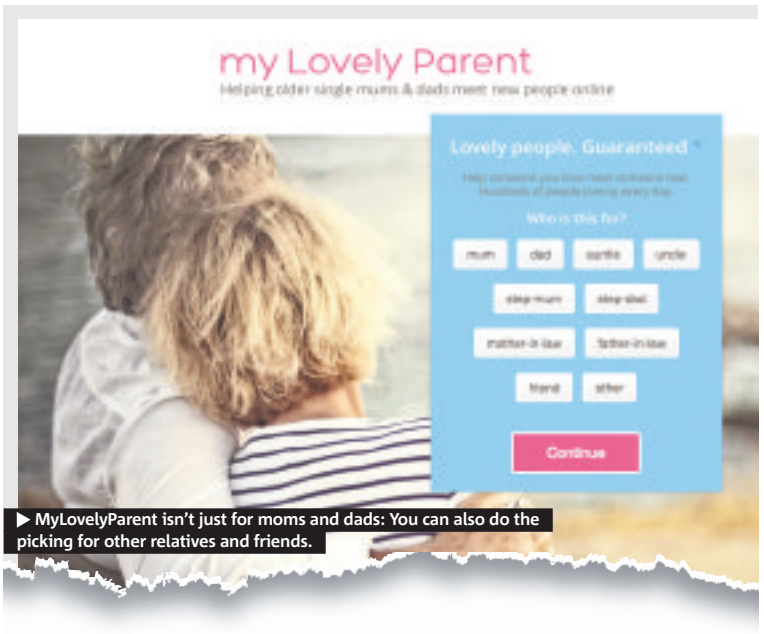
connection.

"I imagined a place where [my mom] could go online, where she could meet other like-minded people, it would be really safe, it would be really easy to use and so on," Connolly says of his site, which is currently free but come spring will be subscription-based. "I really liked this whole thing about 'maybe I could start my mum's profile,' and if she wants to go on the journey then she could, and if she didn't that's cool. Then [I thought], are there going

to be other people who want to use this as well? Before you know it, I'm discovering these amazing stories where people have pretended to be their mum or dad online just to check them out. I found a whole stack of adult children who wanted their mum or dad to find a new partner but found it really difficult — there was no natural home for where we could do that. And so that's where myLovelyParent was born."



Meredith Engel
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► MyLovelyParent isn't just for moms and dads: You can also do the picking for other relatives and friends.

Connolly's tips

to help parents

date online

1 Convince them that it's the new norm.

"The fastest-growing audience for online dating is the 55-plus segment," he says. "The second-fastest is 45 to 55. Everybody's doing it."

2 Help them write their profile.

"Draw out those things that are slightly quirky, slightly individual to your parent."



► Matt Connolly

3 Make sure they're truthful in disclosing information.

"Honesty is probably my No. 1 point," Connolly says. "We have an amazing chance as a child, as somebody who knows them for all of our

lives, to be really positive — but also really objective."

4 Ensure their safety.

"Relationships take time to develop. Online is no different. Keep checking in."

Gentlemen, start your engines

Connolly says the current ratio of users is about one

dad for every four moms, and he's looking to change that. MyLovelyParent's Older Gent Academy is giving the first 1,000 dads who sign up unlimited free

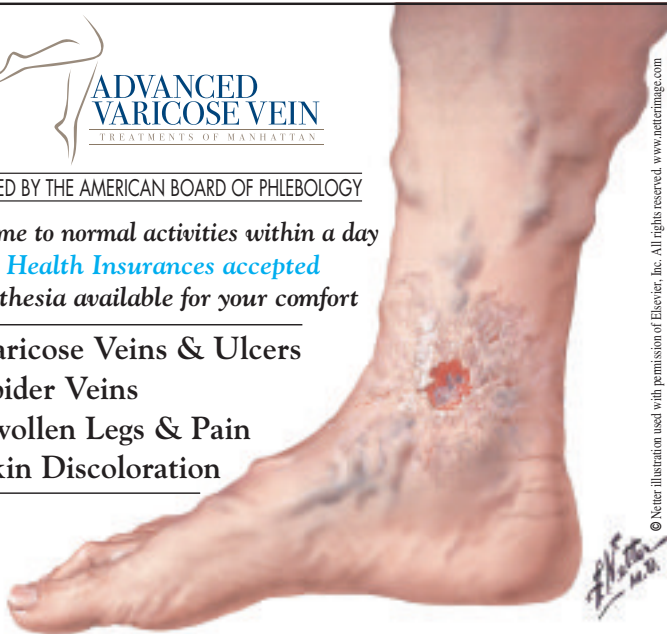
membership, and four dads will be chosen to get a new suit and a session with a dating coach. Visit www.mylightlyparent.com/academy for details.



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♈ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19.

Finding access to persons who could be key to your present plans will come more easily than you thought. This includes even some individuals who have been deliberately dodging you.

♊ Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 19. You are in a much stronger position career-wise than you may realize. Don't let self-doubt or discouragement by others cause you to believe otherwise.

♊ Pisces Feb. 20-March 20. Discussions with wise friends might be the key to helping you unravel a bind. If you talk to some of your smarter pals, you'll find the answers you need.

♈ Aries March 21-April 19. Be

tough enough to dedicate your time and efforts to a difficult objective that you're anxious to attain, and you'll achieve your purposes. Don't let yourself get bogged down.

♉ Taurus April 20-May 20. Don't be reluctant to revise some long-standing methods if they are no longer proving to be productive. Things don't always get better with age.

♊ Gemini May 21-June 20. You're likely to fare far better if you respond to events instead of precipitating them. At this juncture, it's better to react than to lead.

♊ Cancer June 21-July 22. Unusually bold measures will be required to advance one of your interests. Don't be afraid to take a calculated risk if that's what it takes.

♊ Leo July 23-Aug. 22. If you've left something dangling, even for a good reason, now is the time to put it to rest. It could produce some potential benefits for everybody involved.

♊ Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Chances are you'll finally tackle a duty you've put off for quite some time, all because you thought it would be a dull experience. To your surprise, it will prove to be invigorating.

♊ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23. When you finally decide to work on your household's budget, you'll surprisingly find ways to get better mileage from the monies at hand.

♊ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22. Try not to treat serious matters indifferently — but by the same token, don't approach life in such a somber manner

that you depress others as well as yourself. Find a compromise.

♊ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21. An old debt that you thought about writing off is likely to be repaid during this cycle. It's a good thing you weren't too quick to forget about it.

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Solution to yesterday's crossword



Across

- 1 Soak up the sun
- 5 Heyday
- 10 Promontory
- 14 Fully qualified
- 15 Tori Spelling's dad
- 16 Submit
- 17 Channel marker
- 18 Rodeo noose
- 19 River in the Congo
- 20 Everlasting
- 22 Refined metal
- 24 "— a deal!"
- 25 Unseal, to Blake
- 26 Sir Walter Scott novel
- 30 Spiritual leaders
- 34 Broken-off glacier
- 35 Lounges around
- 37 Improve on vocals
- 38 Delhi address
- 39 Hood's weapon
- 40 Word form for "ear"
- 41 Hairy twin
- 43 Queenly
- 45 High spirits
- 46 More spiteful
- 48 Household chore
- 50 Metro RRs
- 51 Fuel meas.
- 52 Rumble
- 56 Does a vet's job
- 60 Smoke-detector output
- 61 Mgmt.
- 63 Jai —
- 64 Places, to Pliny
- 65 Go bad, as meat
- 66 Roulette color
- 67 Term paper abbr. (2 wds.)
- 68 Discharges
- 69 Edit out

Down

- 1 Blue ox of legend
- 2 Meet edge to edge
- 3 — gin fizz
- 4 Pocket item (2 wds.)
- 5 Gay Nineties prop
- 6 Locomotive must
- 7 A Gershwin
- 8 Witticisms
- 9 Charms
- 10 Deep ravines
- 11 Be a party to
- 12 Volcano goddess
- 13 Watched
- 21 — degree
- 23 Prefix for "center"
- 26 "Ghosts" playwright
- 27 Vice —
- 28 Tunes for divas
- 29 Gung-ho

- 30 Anagram of "pleat"
- 31 Berate
- 32 Golden Horde member
- 33 Rock-strewn
- 36 Zig's counterpart
- 42 Piece of cutlery
- 43 Schedule again
- 44 Expresses sorrow
- 45 Chunnel terminus
- 47 Genre
- 49 Checkout scan
- 52 — E. Coyote
- 53 Tree's anchor
- 54 Machu Picchu founder
- 55 Red-waxed cheese
- 56 Force
- 57 Lotion additive
- 58 Go like a siren
- 59 Your Majesty
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Letters

Today's taxes on wealthy aren't all that taxing

RE: "THE TAX MAN COMETH — BUT ONLY TO THE SUCCESSFUL" (METRO, JAN. 14) First up, working (for others) folk, no matter how little they make, pay payroll tax; the fact that some get it all back at filing time doesn't diminish the reality that they make too little to qualify to pay taxes, let alone pay for the basics of existence in today's America.

President Obama, I believe, would LOVE to cut spending. Start with "defense," the biggest waste of our tax dollars. But GOPers won't. They want it all to come out of Social Security and Medicare, the "irrelevants" to the budget argument and poverty programs. Dollar for dollar, we get more eco-activity generated via infrastructure spending and income-savings payments (\$\$) than protecting the privileged classes claiming "entitlement" to everything they collect off the blood/sweat/tears of the 99 percent. Raising taxes on the rich isn't "the (only) answer," but it's a step in the right direction. We've got a long way to the Eisenhower tax rates.

The only "successful" people are the wealthy?

You think many of them actually work? And you think 35 percent to 39.6 percent tax rate devastates the wealthy? It "takes away people's spirit to work hard"? Please!

RANDY JOHNSON, VIA E-MAIL

Rein in the plastic before someone gets the scissors

RE: "YOU CAN LEAD A HORSE TO WATER, BUT YOU CAN'T MAKE IT CREATE MORE JOBS" (METRO, JAN. 15) Letter writer F. Michael Angelo's letter about Galbraith's economic theory had as his basic objection to a free market "that it frustrates reformers in achieving their reforms, because it enables people to have what they want, not what the reformers want. Hence every reformer has a strong tendency to be averse to a free market."

Just as President Obama's pseudo-economics has been doing for the past four years. They just don't work in a free society. You can't keep raising the ceiling on future credit (debt) without cutting spending. Sooner or later your credit card won't be honored. A president must not be allowed to blackmail the Republican representatives who know better. We should have been careful of what we wished for. Now we've got it. ALAN JACOBS, VIA E-MAIL

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Where we're going in 2013

► A little less than a month into the new year, many nights of new dining possibilities are ahead of us ► New neighborhood spots to try, expansions of old favorites and the occasional reopening are all within reach ► Your coolness factor will soar once your friends realize you know all the hippest places to try

Opening soon

LCL Kitchen

Look for a new bar and kitchen from the Gerber Group in the Westin NYC Grand Central location, serving morning till night, including Organic Avenue juices, Stumptown coffee and "enhanced juice" cocktails (opening February). **212 E. 42nd St., 212-405-4399, www.thelclnyc.com**

The General

The Bowery continues to catch fire with the opening of this new Asian eatery, from the same people who brought us Catch in the Meatpacking District. Expect a nightlife space and lounge in this multiconcept space (just opened). **199 Bowery, 212-271-7101, www.emmgrp.com/restaurants/the-general/**

Downstairs

Opening in the Kimberly Hotel is Downstairs, an Italian restaurant counterpart to the upscale year-round rooftop lounge, aptly named Upstairs. It's a moderately priced, trattoria-style slated to open in May/June. **145 E. 50th St., 212-702-1600**

Reopening



Marquee

The Chelsea club gets a makeover — determined to strip away the overdone aesthetic of NYC nightlife — and opens this week after a long renovation. Look for a more music-driven experience, with a lot less bottle service. **289 10th Ave., 646-473-0202, www.marquee.ny.com**



► Top Chef winner Hung Huynh is in the kitchen at The General, a 300-seat modern Asian restaurant.



► LCL's Bonfire on the Bayou

NEW IN THE NEW YEAR

Toro

Post-summer, look for chef Ken Oringer's new opening of Toro with chef/partner Jamie Bissonette. Inspired by their popular tapas restaurant, Toro, in Boston's South End, New York's Toro will focus on both traditional and modern tapas (opening Fall). **85 10th Ave., www.kenoringer.com and www.toro-restaurant.com**

Melibea

On the heels of opening Barraca, chef Jesus Nunez's next venture is a contemporary Mediterranean concept. He's inspired by cuisine in Spain, Italy and Greece,

among others, and serving it in the West Village (opening early 2013). **2 Bank St., www.melibeanyc.com**

MP Taverna Astoria

Chef Michael Psilakis brings his own interpretation of Greek-American fare to Astoria — a modern take on the traditional Greek tavern. The menu pays homage to Psilakis's Greek roots and home cooking, with a price point sure to draw Manhattanites across the bridge and into Queens (opening late January/early February). **31-29 Ditmars Blvd., Astoria, www.michaelpsilakis.com**

Expanding

Red Farm

Not only is the downtown location taking over the ground floor of its existing space, the popular dim sum spot is expanding uptown. Look for an Upper West Side branch of Red Farm opening in February or March, serving lunch, dinner and brunch. **529 Hudson St. and 2170 Broadway, www.redfarmnyc.com**

The Meatball Shop

Co-owners Daniel Holzman and Michael Chernow are showing no signs of slowing down. This year, The Meatball Shop takes on Chelsea and Upper East Side, their fourth and fifth locations. Their Chelsea spot will also be the only location in Manhattan to have a full liquor license to date. **200 Ninth Ave. (February) and 1462 Second Ave. (Spring), www.themeatballshop.com**

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GoldBar

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The late-night parties will go on, but now the venue is opening at 6 p.m. for drinks

and small plates.

Cebiche Bar at La Mar Cebicheria Peruana
111 Madison Ave.
212-612-3388

The Peruvian restaurant's cebiche specialist will prepare lightly marinated seafood right before your eyes. Add an order of causas — whipped potatoes with top-

pings like Dungeness crab and avocado puree.

Amigos
2888 Broadway
212-864-1143

This Mexican pop-up is inexpensive and features rotating chefs, like Alex Garcia and Aaron Sanchez.

Rogue & Canon
128 W. Houston St.
646-398-8700

Industry vets Johnny Sweet and Larry Poston prepare classic American food and drink.

Hiro @ Ollie's
160 Freedom Place
212-873-7900

A fire caused the Ollie's near Lincoln Center to close, but the Asian mainstay is rebounding with this locale.

Cherry
355 W. 16th St. (inside the Dream Downtown hotel),
212-929-5800

This subterranean spot serves French-inflected Japanese fare in a lush setting.

GOOD NEWS FOR
CHILI LOVERS

Not one, but two festivals



► Uni poached egg is on the menu at Cherry.

devoted to the cozy winter staple are landing here this month. This Sunday is **iAdventure's Chili Cookoff** at **Greenwich Village Country Club (110 University Pl.)** For \$43, you get a ticket, five tastings and a draft beer. Get tickets at www.iadventure.com. On Jan. 27, the third annual **NYChiliFest 2013** takes over **Chelsea Market**, bringing with it tastes from **Beer Table**, **Delaney BBQ** and **Pies n' Thighs**, among others, plus Sam Adams beers

and country music. Order at www.brownpaper tickets.com — no day-of tickets will be available.

RESTAURANT NEWS

► **Tertulia (359 Sixth Ave., 646-559-9909)**, one of our favorite gems for Spanish food, is now offering a menu for Merienda — the light meal Spaniards take in the afternoon. Chef Seamus Mullen is serving up dishes like oysters with sherry and paprika-smoked potatoes — both of which come with

a glass of wine, sangria, beer or cider. We'll drink to that!

► French bistro **La Villette (10 Downing St. 212-255-0300)** has a new lunch prix fixe (\$19) that gets you an appetizer, entree and coffee (or dessert for \$4 extra). Try a sandwich made with bread from Lenotre bakery in Paris — we have it on good authority that it's hard to beat ham, butter and cornichon on a real baguette.

► From the winter cocktail menu at French-meets-Asian restaurant **L'Amant 235 W. 12th St., 646-476-8731** we're all about The Remedy (Cognac, rum, lemon, house-made honey and ginger syrup) paired with a order of Peking pork buns.

► In honor of its address, **92 Ludlow, Hotel Chantelle** is now offering 92-cent cocktails with brunch. Booze for less than a buck? See you there! ● MEREDITH ENGEL

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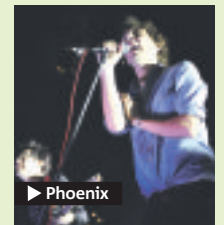
**Saturday, 8 p.m.,
Cake Shop, 152 Ludlow
St., \$20**

Comprised of members of iconic indie bands like Hot Snakes, Drive Like Jehu and Edsel, Obits has put out two fantastic LPs on Sub Pop and is gearing up for a third. Tonight, they raise funds for Norton Records, a Brooklyn label that saw their HQ wiped out by Sandy. **JD**



► Obits are raising funds for their label friends this weekend.

Songza



► Phoenix

TIM MOSENFELDER/GETTY IMAGES

Indie dinner

Did you first bond with your significant other over a shared love of indie music? If so, let the gentle indie love songs on the playlist at www.metro.us/songza and www.songza.com/listen/indie-dinner-for-two-songza be the soundtrack your home-cooked dinner for two or for a chill dinner party. It's four-and-a-half hours of lesser-known tunes by the likes of Atlas Sound, Frou Frou, Allo Darlin' and Phoenix (pictured).

— *Songza is a streaming platform that mines years of music history and today's music blogs for the best gems.*

Listings

FILM

Stranger Than Fiction 2013

Through Feb. 26, IFC Center, 323 Sixth Ave., \$16

The STF slate features highlights from this year's DOC N.Y.C. fest, as well as a Gotham Award. Among those we have our eye on are Neil Barsky's "Koch," about N.Y.C.'s famously outspoken mayor, and Alan Berliner's "First Cousin Once Removed," about a poet experiencing Alzheimer's. Stick around for Q&As! **MINDY BOND**

New Yawk New Wave
Through Jan. 31, Film Forum, 209 W. Houston St., \$12.50

Those born after 1970 missed the boat in terms of experiencing the golden age of independent filmmaking in New York first-hand. But thanks to a bright idea by J. Hoberman and Film Forum, you can immerse yourself in the many movements and styles that took shape during the period. **MB**

The First Novelization
Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Union Hall, 702 Union St., Park Slope, \$5

Film classics like "Pretty in Pink," "Grease 2" and "Jurassic Park" are given dramatic treatments by readers that would probably have Will Shakespeare crying tears of joy. **JASON DIAMOND**

Arts



► The Hopi believe that dolls are a link to the spiritual world.

Life, Death and Transformation in the Americas

Friday through Nov. 24, Brooklyn Museum, 200 Eastern Pkwy., \$12
Featured objects

including Hopi and Zuni "kachinas," masks from throughout the Americas, and Aztec and Maya sculptures highlight the concept of transformation in the spiritual beliefs of indigenous peoples of the Americas. **JD**

THEATER

Radiohole presents 'Inflatable Frankenstein'
Through Saturday, The Kitchen, 512 W. 19 St., \$20
"Inflatable Frankenstein"

brings the spirit of Mary Shelley back to life by chopping up and then stitching back together the novelist's best-known work with details from her life

Films

This Is Not a Film

Sunday, 3 p.m., Museum of the Moving Image, 36-01 36th Ave., Astoria, \$12

In 2010, Iranian filmmaker Jafar Panahi was arrested for creating anti-regime propaganda and sentenced to a six-year jail term and a 20-year ban on directing movies. He invited a friend over to his apartment to film this documentary before



► Jafar Panahi

prison; it's essential viewing for anyone who cares about cinema. **MB**

and more than 100 Frankenstein-themed films. **MB**

TALKS

SDR PRSNTS: I'm Lil B

Tonight, 8 p.m., 285 Kent, Williamsburg, \$10
Silent Drape Runners present a discussion panel on Lil B with Russ Marshalek (Silent Drape Runners), Pictureplane, Alexandra Gamlin (Afro-punk) and more. You can also expect Lil B-themed DJ sets from the likes of Prince Rama, as well as a dramatic reading of Lil B tweets. Thank you, hipster God! **LEAH TAYLOR**

Gertrude Stein Marathon Reading
Friday-Sunday, 7-11 p.m., Triple Canopy, 155 Freeman St., Greenpoint, free

Last year's 52-hour reading of Gertrude Stein's supposedly "unreadable" Modernist novel drew

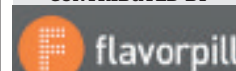
readers like Zadie Smith, Eileen Myles and Joshua Cohen. This year's reading will undoubtedly bring even more bold-faced names. **JD**

MUSIC

Rumors Live: A Fleetwood Mac Tribute
Friday, 7 p.m., Littlefield, 622 Degraw St., Gowanus, \$10

If you don't have a bunch of money to throw down for the upcoming Fleetwood Mac tour, journey to Gowanus to see .357 Lover, Balthrop, Alabama and Awkward Book Club cover everything from the pre-Stevie Nicks bluesy days to the iconic albums of the late-1970s. **JD**

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Cocktail of the week

Feeling blue?

Blue Monday, which falls this year on Jan. 21, is said to be the most depressing day of the year: The holidays are over, post-splurge bills are piling up and, oh yeah, it's freezing out. Toast to your misery with this cool concoction — we hope it brings at least a tiny smile to your face.

SVEDKA Iceberg

1½ parts SVEDKA Vodka
Splash of Blue Curacao
1 king cube of ice

INSTRUCTIONS: Pour all ingredients into a cocktail shaker filled with ice. Shake gently and strain into a chilled rocks glass with a king cube of ice.



Shumpert to return in London

The Knicks are old, banged-up and in a mini-funk, but help is on the way in the form of a precocious second-year swingman.

Iman Shumpert, who is finally recovered from a torn ACL last May, is set to make his return in tonight's matchup against

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the Pistons.

"Obviously I'm extremely excited and will probably get chills," Shumpert said following a grueling 5-on-5 session to



▶ Shumpert

test his knee. "But I hope to have it settled down and be ready to play. ... I'm just excited to finally get back out there and play again."

Like the handling of Amar'e Stoudemire and his surgically repaired knee, head coach Mike Woodson said they'll "be smart" about any restric-

tions.

"I feel like we've got a team that could win a championship. [so] that's all I ever wanted," Shumpert said. "I don't really care if I start or not. Woody [Woodson] brings J.R. off the bench every game, and he's an All-Star." ● **TONY WILLIAMS**

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Back on court



These players are finally getting the playing time they deserve:

- 1 Isaiah Thomas, PG, Kings** — Keith Smart made the wise decision to ride Thomas over Aaron Brooks.
- 2 Emeka Okafor, C, Wizards** — Now healthy, Okafor is averaging a double-double with 1.3 blocks a night in his last 10.
- 3 Gerald Henderson, SG, Bobcats** — Flip-flopping with Jeffery Taylor for the starting gig is done. Henderson is locked in now.

NEW FACE, NEW PLACE

We haven't seen carnage like this since Patrick Bateman lost his mind in "American Psycho." A quarter of the NFL's teams will have new head coaches next season.

Considering the way the league's rules are going, it's not a surprise the first five hires have been offensive-minded guys. More points means more fans, more victories and more fun. Basically, chicks dig the long ball. The biggest fantasy winners:

Chirp, chirp

Oregon's 2012 offense ran a play every 20.9 seconds of real time last season. Meanwhile, the Patriots led the NFL in that category, getting play off every 24.9 seconds. Chip Kelly is going to bring a unique, exciting, innovative brand

of football to Philadelphia — one that emphasizes speed at all cost. No matter who ends up playing quarterback (**Nick Foles**, **Michael Vick** or maybe West Virginia's **Geno Smith**), Kelly's arrival is going to be a great thing for all the Eagles' skill players.

Reid goes west

Andy Reid never truly changed his offense during 14 seasons with the Eagles. He's not going to change it in Kansas City — and that's good news for **Jamaal Charles**. Even though Reid is one of the most pass-happy play-callers in the league, he rides one back three downs and uses them extensively in the passing game.

Use protection

The Bears went outside the box for their successor to Lovie Smith, hiring Marc Trestman from the CFL. Trestman has a reputation for keeping his quarterback upright — good news for **Jay Cutler**.



▶ Reid also made fantasy studs out of Duce Staley and Brian Westbrook. He can for Jamaal Charles too.

NBA news

Bynum back?

Andrew Bynum (knees) has finally been cleared to begin running and says

he's pain free. Oakland will bring back a power-running philosophy. Now targeting a return sometime around the Feb. 17 All-Star game, he's worth a speculative stash.

In the news



'Sheed could be out for season

The NBA comeback story of the season could be a very short one.

Rasheed Wallace, who retired in 2010 only to return to the Knicks this season, could miss the rest of the year with a foot injury, according to ESPN.

Wallace hasn't played since Dec. 15 with what was termed a stress reaction. Prior to that point, he was averaging 7.2 points in just 14.6 minutes per game and was shaping up to be an important bench player.

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